House Resolution No. 899

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, Abraham Numerick, of Jefferson City, a five-year-old boy, is largely responsible for the creation of "The Power of 11 Cents" program, an educational outreach to the students of Missouri's schools to promote the awareness of patriotism and the sacrifices of Missouri's heroes and their families; and

Whereas, as the story goes, Abraham Numerick, then three years old and living with his grandparents because both of his parents were deployed, was going to a theatrical performance with his mother, an Army Reservist recently returned from Iraq, and in his hand he carried eleven cents; and

Whereas, the story continues, the boy's grandmother told the boy put the money in his pocket, which he declined to do, expressing his wish that the money be given to the soldiers, and thus was born the "The Power of 11 Cents" project; and

Whereas, "The Power of 11 Cents" project consisted of collecting eleven cents from students in grades kindergarten to sixth and a dollar and eleven cents from students in grades seventh through twelfth, on Veterans Day, the eleventh day of the eleventh month of the year, for the benefit of the Missouri Military Family Relief Fund; and

Whereas, "The Power of 11 Cents" project state-wide resulted in nearly \$50,000 being raised over two years for the Missouri Military Family Relief Fund; and

Whereas, Abraham Numerick continues to live with his grandparents, the Reverend John and Pat Kerr, while both of his parents, Captain Katherine Numerick and Staff Sergeant Robert Numerick, are currently serving in Iraq:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our affection and gratitude to Abraham Numerick for his inspiration and our hopes for success in his future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to young patriot Abraham Numerick.

Rod Jetton, Speaker

	Representative Joe Smith
	District No. 14
Ninety-for certify that	con, Speaker of the House of Representatives, arth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do t the above is a true and correct copy of House in No. 899, adopted March 5, 2007.